

## STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Dear Sirs,

In accordance with established consultation guidelines, the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) is notifying Nevada tribes of the following proposed changes in policy regarding Home and Community Based Waiver (HCBW) for Persons with Mental Retardation or Related Conditions.

Clarification is being made to Medicaid Services Manual Chapter 2100 Home and Community Based Waiver (HCBW) for Persons with Mental Retardation or Related Conditions for the following reasons.

- Several definitions have been revised for clarity.
- Updated Criminal Background checks to include 5 year requirement.
- Removed age requirement can be waived with approval by MHDS in several services indentified in this chapter.
- Changed effective date of waiver services for recipients who have an SLA contract.

If you would like a specific consultation regarding this new policy, please contact Crystal Johnson at 684-3722, who will schedule a meeting. We would appreciate a reply whether or not you would like this consultation, however, if we do not hear from you within 30 days from the date of this letter we will consider that an indication that no consultation is requested.

Sincerely,

Charles Duarte Administrator

Cc: Elizabeth Aiello, Deputy Administrator

Connie Anderson, Chief, Continuum of Care Coleen Lawrence, Chief, Provider Support